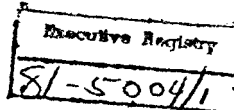


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NOTE FOR THE DIRECTOR

Attached for your signature is a memorandum to Richard Allen responding to his request for analyses on China. We have already begun the effort to define Taiwan's defense needs and will soon begin the analyses of the internal situation in China.

We expect these studies to be complete by 1 November 1981.



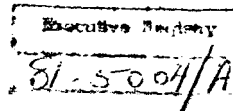
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Richard V. Allen  
Assistant to the President  
for National Security Affairs

SUBJECT : Analyses of China

1. I am in receipt of your memorandum of 24 August on the above subject. Drafting is already underway on an analytical effort to define Taiwan's defense needs in the 1980s, with reference also to the political impact of a range of decision on both Taiwan and the Mainland.

2. We expect to undertake an additional analyses of the internal situation in China, particularly with respect to Deng's vulnerability on the US connection. This study would include a discussion of the role of the Chinese military in Mainland politics.

3. We expect to complete both studies by 1 November 1981.

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COMPLETED FOR THE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. CASEY  
Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Analyses of China (U)

DOD has already requested a Community analytical effort to define Taiwan's defense needs in the 1980s. This would include an analysis of the threat to Taiwan and the various ways to deal with this threat. I understand that this effort is to be concluded by 1 November 1981. We would also welcome any departmental studies of this important subject. (C)

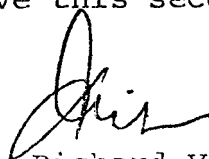
In addition to the paper requested by DOD, I would like to ask for an additional paper to prepare us for critical decisions to be made by the end of this year. (U)

It would be useful to have an updated analysis of Deng's vulnerability on the U.S. connection. How stable is Deng's leadership, what is the nature and strength of threats to him, and how would these affect the reaction to various levels of arms sales to Taiwan? (C)

It would also be useful to include in this study an analysis of the role of the Chinese military, including its influence on Deng and his policies. (C)

I would also like to have this second paper by 1 November 1981. (U)

FOR THE PRESIDENT:



Richard V. Allen  
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